Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 05 Aug 2021 until 23:59 on Friday 06 Aug 2021

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 04 Aug 2021 at 17:51 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Generally high out to Saturday, but with uncertainty in intensity and location of heavy showers. Lower confidence in details from Sunday, but expected to be an improving picture.

Headline for Thursday 05 Aug 2021: Rain or showers. Strong winds on the tops.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 05 Aug 2021

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Low Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms Low Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** Low Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Light rain	Light rain	Light rain	Light rain	Light rain	Heavy Rain
Precipitation probability							
70%	70%	70%	60%	60%	60%	70%	80%

Forecast for Thursday 05 Aug 2021

Weather: Generally cloudy with showery outbreaks of rain throughout, these heavy at times. Rain most persistent near the west coast, with the best chance of any dry spells across eastern Lochaber late morning and early afternoon.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 10%, rising to 70% for a few hours in the afternoon.

Visibility: Poor for much of the day in heavy rain and low cloud, bases around 600-700m, but improving for a few hours early afternoon with bases mostly above the summits.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	22/26 SE	24/29 SE	32/39 SE	30/38 SE	29/37 SE	35/45 SE	32/41 SE	31/40 SE	24/31 E
900	15/19 SE	17/22 SE	22/29 SE	22/29 SE	22/30 SE	26/35 SE	25/34 SE	25/34 SE	21/30 SE
600	11/14 SE	13/17 SE	27/33 SE	25/31 SE	21/28 SE	30/38 SE	24/30 E	28/35 E	14/20 E
300	7/11 SE	7/13 SE	15/23 SE	14/21 SE	13/20 SE	16/25 SE	13/21 E	14/23 E	9/13 NE
Glen	4/7 SE	4/9 E	6/16 SE	6/13 E	8/16 SE	6/15 E	9/17 E	7/16 E	7/15 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	7/2	7/2	6/0	6/0	7/1	6/0	7/1	7/1	7/2
900	9/6	9/5	9/4	9/5	10/6	10/5	10/6	9/5	9/6
600	12/10	12/9	12/8	12/8	13/9	13/8	12/8	12/8	11/9
300	13/12	13/12	13/10	14/12	15/13	15/12	15/13	14/12	14/12
Glen	14/14	14/14	14/14	16/15	17/16	17/16	16/15	16/15	16/14
Freezing Level*	2500m	2500m	2400m	2300m	2400m	2500m	2600m	2600m	2600m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Strong summit winds with a risk of gales across higher summits in the afternoon.

Forecast for Friday 06 Aug 2021

Weather: Low cloud and patchy rain through the early hours across eastern ranges, drier with clear spells near the coast. Scattered heavy showers by day with a risk of thunder. The showers heaviest and most frequent in the east, less frequent with good sunny spells near the coast. Showers continuing into the night, but easing slightly.

Maximum wind: East 15 gusting 20 mph, but gusts of 30-35 mph possible near heavy showers.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 20% in the east, 60% in the west.

Visibility: Poor in low cloud or passing heavy showers, but otherwise good. Cloud fairly extensive with bases 600m across eastern ranges in the east in the morning, becoming more broken in the afternoon. Only occasional patchy cloud in the west, mainly above 800m.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 14 Celsius rising to 20 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 10 or 11 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above the summits.

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